TRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) One producer of Frusemide was pricing this product as per the stay order of Delhi High Court/Supreme Court.

(b) Price fixed by Govt. Rs. 1426.16 kg. w.e.f. 31-12-80. Price charged by the company Rs. 1641.47 kg.

(c) Yes Sir,

(d) Mark up under DPCO, 1979 . 55%
Mark up under DPCO 1987 100%

(e) Yes Sir.

Mark up on Analgin

2979. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is enough production of Analgin in the country;

(b) wether it is also a fact that his Ministry is monitoring the production of Analgin;

(c) what are the names of the producers and the stage from which each is producing;

(d) whether it is also a fact that there is enough production of this drug in the country and there is no import of this drug;

(e) what was the import figures of this drug during the last three years, year-wise, and

(f) whether it is also a fact that Government have increased the mark up on medicines based on this drug?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) In the Organised Sector, M/s. IDPL is the only producer of analgin, which is reserved for public sector. In the Small Scale Sector several companies are producing this drug. M/s. IDPL produces Analgin from the basic stage.

(d) and (e) Details of imports for the last three years are given below:—

Year	Quantity (Kgs.)
1983-84	20230
1984-85	9425
1985-86	7950

(f) Yes, Sir.

Production stage of Dexamathasone

2980. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Dexamethasone and its salts are being produced from penultimate stage for the last 20 years;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the foreign principle of the producer is producing this drug from basic stages for the last 10-15 years;

(c) if so, what steps his Ministry took during the last 10 years for production of this drug from basic stages;

(d) whether it is a fact that there is no saving of foreign exchange on the production of this drug and the consumer is being charged five to eight times more than the prices fixed by his Ministry; and

(e) if so, what price was fixed for this drug and its salts and what price is being charged for it today?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R. K. JAI-

CHANDRA SINGH): (a) Dexamethasone is being produced in the country from intermediate stage.

(b) Data regarding stage of manufacture by foreign principles are not available in this Ministry.

(c) to (e) Some companies have been issued industrial licences for manufacture of Dexamethasone from basic stage with the provision of manufacture initially from intermediate stage for a period of two years. However, these companies are yet to set up facilities for the basic manufacture owing to a number of reasons including technological constraints. Data with regard to foreign exchange savings are not available in this Ministry. Details of price fixed and charged are given below:—

Name of Drug	Price fixed (Rs./gms.)	Price/ charged* (Rs./gms.)	*as per Court's stay order
Dexamethasone	51.30	92.62	
Pure	(3-7-1981)		
Dexamethasone 21 Phosphate	55.10 (3-7-1981)	195.37	

Recommendations about Energy Audit

2981. SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 2571 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 17th August, 1987 and state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the recommendations and findings of the Energy Audit in Cement Seminar organised by the Bureau of Industrial Costs and Prices in May, 1987,

(b) what is Government's reaction to the expressed opinion that saving of 5 to 10 per cent in energy use can be obtained in case quality of power supply could be improved and standarised; and

(c) whether Government are aware that the indigenous Saboo Technology for making of cement in small scale units of 20 TPD, 30 TPD and 50 TPD has ensured substantial saving in energy as per energy audit undertaken by the National Productivity Council recently?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) Government is aware of the findings of the energy audit of cement industry carried out by the Bureau of Industrial Costs and Prices, which were discussed at a National Convention organised by BICP in May, 1987.

(b) While it is difficult to specify the extent of saving in energy, uninterrupted and regular supply of power would, no doubt, lead to better capacity utilisation and consequent reduction in energy consumption.

(c) Yes, Sir.

Piece rated and time rated workers in BCCL

2982 SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) the ratio of piece rated workers to time rated workers in BCCL as in 1975, 1980 and 1985;